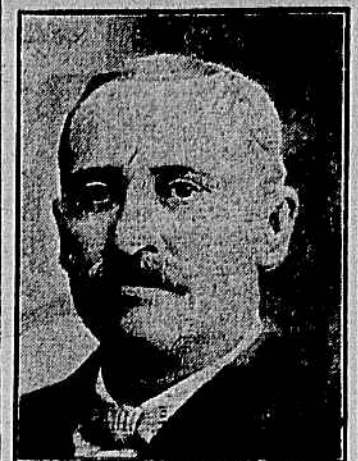




## STEVENS HEADS HOCKING VALLEY

Elected President of Railway  
System Acquired by Chesapeake and Ohio.



GEORGE W. STEVENS,  
Elected President of Hocking Valley System.

Carrying out the agreement reached last week, George W. Stevens, of this city, president of the Chesapeake and Ohio Railway Company, was yesterday elected president of the Hocking Valley system. Frank Trumbull, of New York, a director of the Chesapeake and Ohio, and a close business associate of Edwin Hawley, was elected chairman of the Hocking Valley board. Edwin Hawley, Frank Trumbull, George W. Stevens, A. C. Reardon and James Mackie were elected directors of the Hocking Valley. N. Monsarrat was re-elected president of the Kanawha and Michigan, control of which is now held jointly by the Chesapeake and Ohio and the Lake Shore and Michigan Southern. Several members of the Kanawha group were elected to the board of directors of the various roads were held yesterday in New York.

Stockholders of the Chesapeake and Ohio are called to meet at the principal offices of the company in Richmond on April 28, to pass on the proposed increase in capital stock from \$4,000,000 to \$10,000,000, and for a corresponding issue of 4 per cent. bonds, out of which the purchase of the new Western connections is to be financed.

### RETREAT FOR THE SICK ELECTS NEW OFFICERS

The following officers were elected yesterday morning at the annual meeting of the Retreat for the Sick: Preston Cocks, president; Dr. William Pemberton, first vice-president; Dr. John R. Wheat, second vice-president; J. Taylor Elyson, secretary and treasurer. The officers and John P. Branch, Howard Swinford, Colonel Eugene C. Mason, W. H. Curtis and G. A. Milburn comprise the board of directors. The Retreat for the Sick has occupied its present quarters for thirty years, and its affairs were reported yesterday to be in excellent condition.

### A Rival in the Field.

Mrs. Gill, who has done more to promote marriages than any one else in Richmond, has a rival in the field in the Summer Heat, which will run an excursion to Washington on April 11, carrying those engaged couples who cannot make up their minds in time for Mrs. Gill's pilgrimage to the capital city on Easter Monday. Summer Heat is an institution run without benefit to the management, which ends homes during the hot season for girls who are unable to bear the expense of stopping at summer resorts. Mrs. Gill's party will have personal charges of those who make the trip to Washington.

### Local Option Defeated.

M. J. Hessburg, secretary of the local liquor dealers' association, received a telegram last night announcing that the pending local option bill had been defeated by the New Jersey Senate by a vote of 14 to 6.

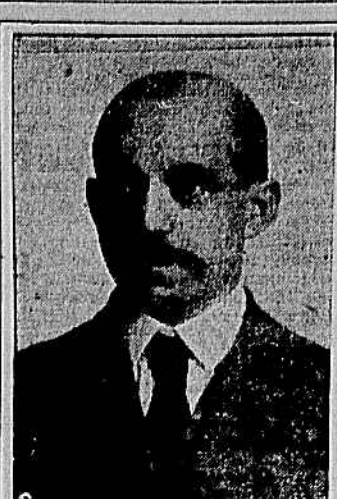
### Baseball Results

At Mobile: Chicago, Nationals, 2; Mobile, Southern League, 1.  
At Memphis: Brooklyn, Nationals (regulars), 7; Memphis, Southern League, 0.  
At Columbia, S. C.: Columbia, South Atlantic, 13; University of South Carolina, 0.  
At Hot Springs, Ark.: Pittsburgh Nationals (regulars), 9; Pittsburgh Nationals (second), 0.  
At Sherman, Tex.: St. Louis Americans (second), 7; Austin College, 1.  
At Dallas, Tex.: Cleveland Americans, 3; Dallas, Texas League, 2.  
At Hot Springs-Boston Americans, 10; Cincinnati Nationals, 4.  
At San Antonio-Detroit Americans, 0; Indianapolis (American Association), 1.  
At Fort Worth-Indianapolis (American Association, second), 6; Fort Worth (Texas League), 5.

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## TIME NOT OPPORTUNE, SAY MANY MINISTERS

Richmond Not Ready for Local Option Campaign at Present.

### A FEW WOULD FORCE FIGHT

Clergymen Express Their Views Fearlessly in Open Session.

With a preponderance of opinion that the time is not yet ripe, thirty ministers of the city yesterday discussed the advisability of holding a local option election in Richmond in the near future. No action was taken, save the appointment of a committee to report at another meeting next Tuesday as to what plan, if any, should be pursued. Owing to the wide divergence of the opinions expressed at the meeting by those who participated, it is thought that the ultimate result of this conference of ministers will be simply to suggest a campaign of education among the various congregations.

There seemed to be a most substantial belief that an election just at this time would be inopportune, and that it would result in decided defeat. Several took the stand that such a defeat would hurt the cause of temperance, and that two or three years should elapse before the question should be tried out at the polls of this city. Those in favor of an immediate election were in the minority, belonging chiefly to the element which has displayed such enthusiasm in agitating the question under all circumstances.

In response to a call signed by several ministers, many of the local clergy were present yesterday, when the conference began at 11 o'clock in the hall of the Presbyterian Committee of Publication.

On a division, it was found that the vote was for an open session. Desiring to have a sound public sentiment aggressively behind the election for prohibition in the city, Mr. Grace believed in a campaign of education. In his opinion, this is not the proper time for the vote, if the people are not in full sympathy with prohibition, the prohibition will be nullified to great degree. He had been told that in Georgia there is growing disregard of the prohibitive laws as to liquor. Just now, he stated, he thought the temperance sentiment not strong enough to justify the proposed election.

### Christina Ready for Fight.

Rev. W. Ashbury Christian, presiding elder of the Methodist Church for this district, wanted to force the fight right now. He thought that the people were sufficiently educated already in the matter. He thought that the argument that the people might not obey the law would not hold, since the laws are made to punish malefactors and law-breakers.

The time is ripe for a campaign of education, pointed out Rev. H. D. C. MacLachlan, of the Seventh Street Christian Church, but that the time is ripe for an election is not so manifest, he held.

Declaring that there is a movement in several of the wards to send friends of the liquor traffic to the Council, Mr. Atkins, president of the Anti-Saloon League of Virginia, wanted the election as soon as practicable. The prohibitionists ought to be aroused and their names put on the registration books, he said.

Rev. J. N. Latham, of Centenary Methodist Church, thought an election at the present time would be unwise. The time is not propitious, said Rev. Thomas Semmes, and a campaign of education is desirable.

Rev. S. C. Hatcher, of Broad Street Methodist Church, saw defeat were the election to take place at once. A definite campaign of education and registration should be followed, he thought.

Desiring the election without further delay, Rev. J. Calvin Stewart, D. D., agreed with Mr. Christian.

Thorough and deliberate preparation was counseled by Rev. W. A. Loughton, who believes in going slowly and surely. In so important a matter, he believed in going right after prohibition. The dry regime in the Hill City had resulted in less law-breaking, he asserted.

Unpleasant Folly, Says McDaniel. "It would be unpleasant folly to start up this fight now," said Rev. George W. McDaniel, D. D., pastor of the First Baptist Church. "The temperance forces are not sufficiently organized. Creation of a widespread temperance sentiment is absolutely necessary for victory."

Rev. Mr. Bowden, of Barton Heights.

Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA

wanted the forces aligned before the battle was begun.

Declaring that an election would do the city good, Rev. W. V. Bargamin, of the Methodist Church, favored such a step at once.

"This is not the time to precipitate an election," said Rev. P. T. McFadden, D. D., pastor of the First Presbyterian Church. "It would be unwise. Defeat would result were the election held now."

Rev. Gerald Culbertson desired unanimity of opinion among the clergy in this movement.

A campaign of education was favored by Rev. J. J. Scherer, of the German Lutheran Church.

Should Prepare, Says Cannon. Rev. James Cannon, Jr., thought it most desirable that the people of the city should be ready and should be prepared for the election when it should be held. He was in favor of preparing for the contest.

That the time is inopportune was the opinion of Rev. J. J. Fix, Rev. B. F. Lipscomb, D. D., Rev. Mr. Poindexter, Rev. Ryland Knight, D. D., and Rev. W. L. Hall, D. D.

Rev. Mr. Eagle is ready for the fight. From his experience, he believed that prohibition does prohibit. In his opinion, the time is always ripe for such a contest.

Though the election had failed of success in Petersburg, it had done good, stated Rev. J. D. McAlister, field secretary of the Anti-Saloon League. The election here would do good, he claimed.

The following committee was, on motion of Mr. Christian, appointed to report next Tuesday on a plan or to make recommendations as to what shall be done: Rev. W. Ashbury Christian, Rev. Thomas Semmes, Rev. Ryland Knight, Rev. Tilden Scherer, Rev. Gerald Culbertson.

### STILL IN THE FIELD

Extrada Not Crushed, Say Americans Returning From Nicaragua.

New Orleans, La., March 22.—Declaring that the Nicaraguan insurgents are far from whipped and that the entire Atlantic coast is a stronghold of the Estrada forces, Victor D. Gordon, brigadier-general of the Nicaraguan revolutionaries and commander of the first American body of filibusters for the Estrada cause, arrived here last night. With him came Major S. Dreben, a Philadelphia soldier of fortune, who was in command of the detachment of sharpshooters of General Gordon's brigade.

The sending of a new German minister to Nicaragua has caused reports here that European governments believe the time is ripe for wresting from the United States and Tlatana, in the Nicaraguan commercial field.

Dr. Don Pedro J. Chamorro, an uncle of General Emiliano Chamorro, hero of the revolution, is expected to arrive here from Nicaragua.

## MAD CHASE ENDS IN NEGRO'S ARREST

Church Hill Alarmed by Efforts to Capture William Neal.

### TWO WOMEN FOUGHT FOR HIM

Both Finally Overcome and Charged With Resisting Police Officers.

Protected by two stalwart Amazons, William Neal, colored, last night tried to hold an officer and a crowd of citizens at bay at Twenty-fifth and Carlington Streets, until he could get a chance to escape. He fought with half bricks and stones, and the women, like true Amazons, wielded cudgels against their heads, daring all to come. At length the chance came, and Neal slipped into a nearby house, where he was captured later. Both women were subdued by an officer, and were hauled to the First Police Station, where were charged with interfering with an officer in the discharge of his duty.

Neal, it is alleged, had attempted to steal a robe from a perambulator belonging to Mrs. Thomas Barry. Mrs. Barry screamed, and a crowd collecting, the negro took to his heels, the crowd following. He was chased for several squares, when several officers hove in sight, and he was cornered. He ran into the Scott woman's yard, and she, with the Murphy woman, took up his cause.

Bricks, stones and sticks were thrown about promiscuously, and several people were struck. The women fought gamely for their sweet William, but an officer ran up and grabbed both. Bill slipped into a house. But the house was surrounded, front and rear, and there was no chance of escape. Two officers went in, and the negro was found. At the station he was held on suspicion of having attempted to commit larceny.

### BAN ON FRENCH HEEL SHOE

Officials Forbid Its Use in Pittsburgh Schools.

Pittsburgh, Pa., March 22.—The French heel shoe apparently is an object of scorn to the High School Committee of the Board of School Controllers of the North Side, and the ban has been put upon it. This action was brought about by the appearance of students in the physical culture class in the little slum-heeled shoes that make them appear to be walking on pegs.

The superintendent of the high school has been commanded to enforce this order, under the penalty of the entire high school forfeiting its annual entertainment in May, one of the traditional days of the high school course.

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## EXAMINERS FOR ALL STATE BANKS

Recent Legislature Provided for Department of Banking Under Corporation Commission.

**SOME REQUIREMENTS OF ACT**  
Cost of Examination Falls on Institutions in Proportion to Capital.

The recent Legislature passed and the Governor has approved a bill which has as its object the examination of all banks in the State by a State Banking Department under the supervision of the State Corporation Commission.

The Banking Department will be in charge of an examiner, one assistant examiner and whatever office force is required. The salary of the examiner will be \$3,000 a year. The bill provides that the examiner and his assistant must be citizens of the State, well versed in the science of book-keeping, and have had five years' experience in a bank. All State banks must be examined once a year.

The funds for the maintenance of this department are to come from assessments made upon the banks according to their total resources, including capital, surplus, and undivided profits, as per their report of the preceding June to the Corporation Commission. The examination fees are fixed as follows: Banks having total resources of \$100,000 or less, \$35; more than \$100,000 and less than \$200,000, \$50; more than \$200,000 and not more than \$500,000, \$80; more than \$500,000 and not over \$1,000,000, \$100; more than \$1,000,000 and not more than \$5,000,000, \$150; for banks with resources exceeding \$5,000,000, a fee of \$150; and for every bank having one or more branches, an extra fee of \$15 will be charged for each and every branch, in addition to foregoing fees, and where the examination of a branch bank requires more than one day, the parent bank shall be assessed \$10 for each additional day.

What the Bill Provides:  
Hereafter it will be mandatory for officials of a bank certifying a check immediately to charge it to the account of the person drawing it.

No dividends may be declared by a bank until a surplus fund amounting to at least 10 per cent. of the capital stock has been laid aside from net profits.

Banks are given the power to refuse to cash the checks of persons under the influence of liquor or drugs.

Banks are permitted to transfer the account of a dead person to their representatives, when the representative has a qualification from a proper court. When the account of the dead depositor does not amount to \$100 it may be transferred to the next of kin without qualification.

The accounts of minors are to be free from all interference except that of creditors.

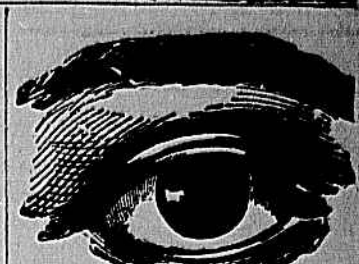
All State chartered banks, saving institutions, trust companies and any other corporations of this State authorized to receive deposits or do any branch of the banking business are embraced by the provisions of this act.

National banks receiving State deposits are also subject to this act.

Private banking is abolished except such firms or individuals doing business on January 1, 1910.

Some of the Penalties.  
The penalty for receiving deposits when the bank is known to be insolvent is to be not less than fifteen days or more than one year in jail, or one to three years in the penitentiary. The law was formerly a fine and imprisonment.

The law goes into effect June 8. The passage of this law makes it possible for Virginia banks to receive



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Another bill passed by the Legislature forbids the chartering of a bank the capital stock of which is less than \$10,000, one-half paid up before the bank opens for business, and the other half within one year from the time it received its charter. To operate a branch bank the consent of the State Corporation Commission must be obtained, and the branch bank must be known by the name of the parent bank and designated as a branch of the same. All such branch banks shall be subject to such local taxation as if they were independent concerns.

## News of Manchester

Manchester Bureau, Times-Dispatch, 1103 Hull Street.

A phantom of delight gloomed upon the consolidation adherents when the second day of gentle spring carefully stepped in yesterday. Tilters returning for their midday lunch, happy schoolchildren, unobtrusive old age; in truth, profound philosophers instantly became fixed in interesting scrutiny at the many posters, with the shining countenance of the illustrious George Washington peering from the white paper backgrounds, bidding defiance to a certain "Coalition" daring them to halt and drink their fill of the galling cup of the "Bridgroom." Some strange, muffled, inarticulate maddened cries were heard, but soon lost their fury in the sweet voice of spring. Some sympathizing bystanders knew the anguish of the "cries" and their souls were filled with pity as the threat of a thirty man. But no strike is expected over these strange horoscopes; the posters have given the "Coalition" something to think about, and maybe something to chafe over.

There was a lull in the battle for supremacy of the two factions yesterday. Tomorrow night the fight will be renewed by the Consolidationists in a meeting held at 8 o'clock in the Masonic Temple, at which time addresses will be made by Alderman R. L. Parram.

Ward, and C. C. Jones of the Consolidation Committee. An invitation has been extended to all citizens, whether for or against the union. The "Antis" are not meeting this week to fight the measure. A pamphlet has been issued by them entitled "Consolidation: A True Inwardness Exposed." Facts and figures are given as arguments against the union.

Forest Hill Park will be opened to the public next Monday morning, when the dancing pavilion will be completed. When entirely completed this will be the largest and most up-to-date amusement resort in the South.

The Oak Grove Educational Association will meet Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock. A petition is being circulated in behalf of a longer session and large school buildings.

An Easter german will be given at Hall's, Chesterfield county, next Monday night. All are looking forward with a great deal of pleasure to this affair.

The funeral of Mrs. Ann M. Robinson, eighty-three years old, took place yesterday afternoon and the burial was in Highland Cemetery.

The funeral of B. O. Crump, who died Sunday night of pharynx, took place from the Betha Methodist Church, in Chesterfield county, yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock.

The funeral of B. H. Crockett will take place

place this afternoon at 3 o'clock from the Second Branch Baptist Church. He is survived by his wife.

J. M. Robertson and Edward Gallagher were elected delegates to the grand reunion in Mobile, Ala., at the recent meeting of the Joseph E. Johnston Camp, Confederate Veterans.

The Building and Land Committee will hold a regular meeting to-morrow night in the Council chamber.

Prof. W. J. Price, Assistant State Entomologist at Blacksburg, visited Prof. J. C. Stiles, of the Chester Agricultural High School, this week.

Miss Ruth Parlow, of Chester, has returned home after a pleasant visit to friends at Chesterfield Court-house.

Mrs. J. M. Gregory, who has been sick in her home in Forest Hill, is now improved and will soon be out again.

The suit of Stuart against Hooker was quashed yesterday in the Corporation Court.

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